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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICATION OF )  
THOMAS SCHOLL (DECEASED) ET AL ) GROUP NO.: 1714  
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/980,882 ) EXAMINER: K. I. WYROZEBSKILEE  
FILED: NOVEMBER 2, 2001 )  
TITLE: DIENE RUBBERS CONTAINING )  
CARBOXYL GROUPS )

**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Sir:

This is in response to the Office Communication mailed on December 8, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 8, 2004. The Examiner's rejections have been carefully considered, and in view of the remarks and claim amendments, reconsideration and early allowance of Claims is courteously requested.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

**Amendment to the Specification** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Claims** begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Drawings:** None.

**Remarks and Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

**Appendix:** Abstract of Disclosure.

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